

Amendment No. 1 to SB2948

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2948*

House Bill No. 3237

by deleting Sections 9 and 10 in their entirety, by substituting instead the following language as a new Section 9, and by redesignating the subsequent sections accordingly:

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56, Chapter 7, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

56-7-1__.

(a) In connection with a claim for death benefits payable under a life insurance policy or an annuity contract, the following persons are authorized to execute a medical records release authorization that may be required by the insurance company that issued the life insurance policy or annuity contract:

- (1) The personal representative of the decedent's estate, if any;
- (2) A beneficiary of the death benefits named in the policy or contract; or
- (3) A person who has filed an affidavit pursuant to § 30-4-103 in connection with the decedent's estate.

(b) Unless prohibited by federal law, a health care provider licensed under title 33, title 63 or title 68 shall honor a medical records release authorization executed in accordance with this section.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed as affecting the ability of a health care provider to charge for copies of medical records in accordance with applicable provisions of law.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting the language "Section 11" in the effective date section and by substituting instead the language "Section 10".